

**Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board
Recommendation 96-10**

to the Department of Energy and Kaiser-Hill

Regarding Retired and Disabled Workers Medical Benefits

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Dear Ms. Roberson and Mr. Card:

The Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board has been very concerned about the issues relating to the medical benefits of retired and disabled Rocky Flats employees. After consideration, the Board approved the following recommendation at our July 11 meeting:

The Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board recommends that the Department of Energy, and its present and future contractors must commit to the retired and disabled workers of the Rocky Flats Plant to provide lifetime health care benefits at the same level and cost to each individual as he/she had at the beginning of his/her retirement or placement on long-term disability.

The Board feels this issue is important because Rocky Flats workers need to receive the benefits they were promised. Also, these alterations to benefits have the potential to negatively affect

worker retention and morale at a site where these factors are very important for safety.

We ask that you please respond in writing to this recommendation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tom Marshall
Chair

cc:

Al Alm, DOE Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management
Colorado Lt. Governor Gail Schoettler
U.S. Representative David Skaggs
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on cleanup plans for Rocky Flats, a former nuclear weapons plant outside of Denver, Colorado.

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